<u>REMARKS</u>

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for his courtesy in initiating the telephonic communication. Applicant herewith propose amended claim 48. A complete listing of the claims is presented above.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

<u>ADDITIONAL FEE</u>

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

> Respectfully submitted, NORRIS McLAUGHLIN & MARCUS, P.A.

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